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SUBJECT: SOVIET REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS

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1. AT MEETING AFTERNOON OF MARCH 14, 1978, NIKOLAI FIRYUBIN, COUNSELOR, SMUN, CONTINUED DISCUSSION ON SOVIET REAL PROPERTY INTERESTS.

2. HE REFERRED TO FOKINE-LEONARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 22, 1978 DURING WHICH FOKINE HAD STATED SOVIETS NEED 300-350 ADDITIONAL UNITS OF HOUSING IN RIVERDALE OR MANHATTAN.

3. FIRYUBIN ASKED WHAT DEPARTMENT'S POSITION IS WITH REGARD TO BASIC QUESTION OF SOVIET'S BUYING OR CONSTRUCTING APARTMENT HOUSE IN MANHATTAN.

4. HE COMMENTED THAT IF DEPARTMENT HAD DIFFICULTY IN APPROVING BUILDING WHICH WOULD BE OCCUPIED BY MEMBERS OF ALL SOVIET ELEMENTS IN NEW YORK (INTOURIST, AEROFLOT, TASS, AMTORG, SMUN AND SOVIET SECRETARIAT MEMBERS), PERHAPS DEPARTMENT WOULD LOOK MORE FAVORABLY ON BUILDING
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OCCUPIED BY SMUN AND SOVIET UN SECRETARIAT STAFF MEMBERS EXCLUSIVELY.

5. WE ASKED FIRYUBIN IF SOVIETS HAD ANY NEW BUILDING IN MIND. HE SAID SOVIETS WERE NOW INTERESTED IN BUILDING AT 66TH STREET AND SECOND AVENUE. HE STATED BUILDING IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND WILL BE READY FOR OCCUPANCY SOME-

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TIME IN 1979. IT WILL CONTAIN 240 APARTMENTS.
6. ACTION REQUESTED: WE WOULD APPRECIATE INSTRUCTIONS ON DEPARTMENT'S POSITION ON (A) QUESTION IN PRINCIPLE OF SOVIET PURCHASE OF APARTMENT HOUSE IN MANHATTAN; (B) UESTION OF OCCUPANCY OF SUCH A BUILDING AND (C) WHETHER THERE ARE OBJECTIONS TO SOVIET URCHASE OF BUILDING AT 66TH STREET AND SECOND AVENUE. YOUNG

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